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Marlene H. Dortch, Esq. Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re:

Southern Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a SouthernLINC Wireless; Status

Report on Hearing Aid Compatibility; WT Docket No. 01-309

Dear Ms. Dortch:

SouthernLINC Wireless hereby submits its status report on hearing aid compatibility. SouthernLINC Wireless has prepared this report in accordance with information provided by its handset manufacturer, Motorola, Inc.

We trust that the FCC will find this to be in order. Please contact me at the address below or at 678-443-1562 if you have any questions or desire additional information in this matter.

Sincerely

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Status Report on Hearing Aid Compatibility

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Compliant Phone Models: i560, i580, i570, i670, i760, i833, i850

Phone Model	ANSI C63.19 Rating
i560	M3
i570	M3, T3
i580	M3, T3
i670	M3, T3

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	Rating
i760	M3
i833	M3
i850	M3

## **Product Labeling Information:**

The handsets box and packaging indicate the ANSI C63.19 rating.

#### **Outreach Efforts:**

SouthernLINC Wireless has developed outreach marketing materials for use by its direct sales force and company owned stores. SouthernLINC Wireless also offers a hearing-aid neck loop that, when attached to the handset, allows the handset to function with a hearing aid device.

## **Retail Availability of Compliant Phones:**

The HAC compliant handsets listed above are available at all of SouthernLINC Wireless' company owned retail stores.

## **Efforts to Incorporate Hearing Aid Compatibility into Newer Models:**

SouthernLINC Wireless understands that its sole equipment vendor, Motorola, Inc., is pursuing the incorporation of hearing aid compatibility features into additional iDEN handsets.

#### Activities Related to ANSI C63.19 or Other Standards Work:

SouthernLINC Wireless understands that its sole equipment vendor, Motorola, Inc., is pursuing the incorporation of the new ANSI C63.19 - 2005 hearing aid compatibility features in the iDEN handsets. SouthernLINC Wireless also understands that Motorola participates in ATIS working groups dealing with ANSI C63.19 issues, authored the ANSI Project Initiation Notification System (PINS) Form, and has led the industry to examine the interpretation of T-Coil measurements.

Total Number of Compliant Phones Offered:	Based on Motorola tests, SouthernLINC	
	Wireless currently offers 7 handset models that	
	comply with the ANSI.C63.19 Standard	
Total Number of Non-Compliant Phones Offered:	Based on Motorola tests, SouthernLINC	
	Wireless currently has 7 handset models that do	
	not comply with the ANSI.C63.19 Standard.	

#### **Ongoing Efforts for Interoperability Testing with Hearing Aids:**

SouthernLINC Wireless' understanding is that its sole equipment vendor, Motorola, Inc., in association with hearing aid manufacturers, is actively pursuing the interoperability testing for hearing aid compatibility in the iDEN handsets.

# Information regarding differences in handset offerings among regions in service areas (For Service Providers only):

All compliant handsets can be purchased at all of SouthernLINC Wireless's company owned stores and can be used throughout SouthernLINC's service territory.